Rockville Pedestrian Advocacy Committee Meeting Minutes Meeting 21-02 Thursday, February 11 2021 7:00 PM Virtual - Webex

Recording of this meeting available at

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7:00 Welcome & Introductions - Eric Fulton, Chair

7:05 RPAC News & Notes - Eric Fulton, Chair

Mr. Fulton shared several upcoming events as listed below.

- Wednesday, February 17 Angie Schmitt "Right of Way" Discussion
- Thursday, February 18 RPAC Presentation to Senior Citizens Commission

Mr. Fulton also shared that there was a public comment partnership opportunity with regard to the <u>Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices</u>.

7:10 City Updates - Alyssa Roff, Pedestrian and Bicycle Coordinator, City of Rockville

Ms. Roff shared many updates at the meeting, as many components of existing RPAC and City projects are being updated or addressed.

The current Vision Zero Action Plan was presented to Mayor & Council. Ms. Roff shared this presentation with RPAC.

A longer discussion ensued around the Maryland Avenue Safety Improvement Project, as it directly affects residents of Town Center and all pedestrians who visit Town Center.

Finally, Mr. Elshafei shared his thoughts and a summary of the City and State Highway Administration Quarterly meeting. Addressed during this meeting was the issue of the speed limits on 355 (Rockville Pike), 28 (First Street), and 586 (Veirs Mill).

7:25 Sidewalk & Obstacle Concerns

A substantial discussion ensued regarding a variety of sidewalk obstruction issues throughout the City. Town Center residents expressed concerns around the vehicle barriers at Regal Row/World of Beer. In light of the winter season, snow and ice removal was discussed with

particular attention to the removal of snow on sidewalks and the affects of snow removal and plows on curb cuts. Finally, another robust discussion on the schedule of sidewalk maintenanceand inspection was held.

7:55 Incident & Enforcement Update - Lt. Andy Crawford, Rockville City Police Department

Lt. Crawford reviewed all recent collisions from the previous month that involved pedestrians and cars, as well as bicycles and cars. A report was provided after the meeting, prepared by the RCPD crime analyst. There was also a discussion of recent enforcement efforts, and an updateon the enforcement of loud and racing cars as it relates to safety and quality of life concerns.

8:10 Discussion of Rockville Pedestrian Policy & Pedestrian Master Plan Next Steps -Alyssa Roff, Pedestrian and Bicycle Coordinator, City of Rockville

Ms. Roff gave an update on the Pedestrian Master Plan, and what our next steps as RPAC willbe. RPAC also reviewed and discussed the current City Pedestrian Policies and way in which they can be updated and modernized through the lens of Vision Zero.

9:00 Adjournment

Resources

RPAC Home Page
Pedestrian Master Plan - RPAC Notes
DocumentSynthesis of Pedestrian Policies
Rockville 2022 Budget Survey